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Mr. Eleifante
Book Review Department
The New York Times
Times Square
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Eleifante,

When I was in New York last week and spoke to you I didn't know the reprinting of WHITEWASH was as close as it is. On my return I found another order for 500 copies from our west-coast distributor and arranged for the printing that will be done next week. Done too soon, for another reorder by another distributor yesterday cleaned us out to all practical purposes.

Perhaps I should have included in the enclosed release the identification of Mr. Gordon Harbord, 53 St. Martin's Lane, London W.C.2, who represents the book in Europe and concluded the arrangements with Arriba after they cabled their desires to me. It was, incidentally, entirely their initiative, I didn't know there was a copy of the book in Spain.

During our phone conversation Thursday as you will perhaps recall, I expressed my disappointment that the New York Times, the paper of record, had an unfortunate and I am certain unintended factual error that said INQUEST is the first book on the subject, when it is not even second, and in ignoring WHITEWASH denied me, in the record, something of which I am proud, that I did this and did it before anyone else. This was in Mr. Fremont-Smith's review of July 6. Is it possible that the enclosed press release may offer the correction of the record?

Sincerely yours,

Harold Weisberg

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